

Arlington Cultural Council Agenda
Monday, January 9, 2017
Town Hall Annex Meeting Room, Fl 1, 7:30 pm

Attendance:

Name	Status
Taylor, Lisbet	PRESENT
Timperi, Jeff	PRESENT
Marroig, Gabrielle Marois	Not present
Boudreau, Jeff	PRESENT
Bühler-Probst, Brigitte	On leave of absence
Richmond, Lauren	PRESENT
Harris, David	PRESENT
Kepka, Asia	Not present
Harding, Kimberley	PRESENT
II. Guest(s)	
Alberto Guzman	
Rupert Davis	

Lisbet apologized to Jeff Boudreau for not adding his items to the agenda. She also noted that she wanted to add an item to the agenda: a discussion of the annual April ACC celebration to honor grant recipients.

1) Approval of December 2016 minutes

There was a short discussion about the addition of an item to the December minutes regarding a proposal/suggestion which was discussed in the last meeting which was not included in the draft minutes. The suggestion was that the ACC would potentially make a project happen to use storefronts to promote art. Given that this item would be added to the minutes, the December minutes were approved.

At this time, the guests were introduced and Lisbet briefly explained the application process.

2) Leave of Absence – Brigitte Jan-Aug. 2017. Returns Sep 2017. 8 months added on to her tenure.

Lauren will send a letter to the Board of Selectmen to inform them of the leave of absence and ask that they extend Brigitte's appointment.

Per the agenda posted to the town website, the next item of business would be to vote on officer position. Dave suggested that the Council change the order of the agenda so that we vote on the officer positions at the end of the meeting so that the Council has time to wrap up old business; Jeff B. agreed. The Council moved the officer vote to the end of the meeting.

4) Wrap-up of 2016 grantee business:

a) "Tap and Blues," July 29, 7-9 pm; doors open 6:30pm. Regent Theatre's Black Box.

The grant recipients for the "Tap and Blues" performance could not perform due to family illness this past year. They have found a venue and a new date – July 27, 7-9pm. They are confident they will have the same budget.

b) Others

We still need the reimbursement forms for the Arlington Author Salon events. Brigitte contacted the grant recipient and she said they would get the information to the Council as soon as possible. Lauren had followed up with Arlington Center for the Arts to get the final form of their reimbursement.

5) Update on letters sent to Declined Applicants

Kimberley, the corresponding secretary, sent out letters to declined grant applicants. No person responded to Kimberley. It has been more than 15 days, so there have been no appeals. There is some money in the Arlington Cultural Council account – this is a discrepancy that Jeff T will call town to sort out.

6) Choosing Liaisons for 2017 Grantees

The Arlington Cultural Council members selected which grant recipients they would be the liaison for. The liaison is responsible for writing their grantee to ask for a publicity photo. Each liaison is to look in Dropbox for letter draft.

7. Submission of Annual Report; Notification of Grant Awardees;

As soon as the Arlington Cultural Council's annual report is filed, the Council can begin to publicize their grantees. Lisbet will work with Dave on the press release and making sure it gets to the right contacts.

The Arlington Cultural Council Wordpress site should be discussed at some point at a future meeting.

8. ACC celebration in April

It was determined that the Council needs to establish a reception committee. Kimberley volunteered to be the chair. A few things that the committee will meet to discuss include:

- ACC needs someone to order food
- Who will create the slideshow and music playlist?
- One of the ACC's musical grant recipients volunteered to provide music
- The ACC needs a local "celebrity" to announce grant recipients.

9. Mt. Gilboa

The building on Mt. Gilboa is rented on yearly basis. The bid is out in May. There is a possibility that the building will be torn down. Jeff B. proposed an idea to turn it into an artist residence. He hopes to finalize a warrant article to form a study committee. The warrant would have to be finalized by January 27. He proposes that a member of ACC go around to other committees to put together a joint warrant. If not, someone could bring the idea to the Board of Selectmen so

they can form an ad-hoc advisory committee. While the rest of the Council thought this was a good idea, it was determined that there was not enough time to put the plan into motion.

9) New Business

- a) Update on ACAC and MAPC**
- b) Discuss ACC grant monies for 2018**
- c) Discuss activity ideas from Somerville Arts Council**
- d) Discuss possibility of holding a mini-summit of 4 LCCs (with MCC help?):
Arlington, Medford, Somerville, Cambridge**

This was tabled to the next meeting.

3) Vote on Officer Positions

- a. Co-Chairs – Jeff T says not sure we need two co-chairs. Lisbet thinks we do.
- b. Treasurer
- c. Recording Secretary
- d. Corresponding and Cycle Secretary
- e. Publicity Officer

All positions from December were re-elected. (Jeff T – treasurer; Lauren – recording secretary; Kimberley – corresponding secretary; Dave – Publicity Officer)